

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 5905

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING SAFE DISPOSAL OF FENTANYL PRODUCTS BY HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Department of
- 2 Public Health, in consultation with the Department of Energy and
- 3 Environmental Protection, to develop protocols for the safe disposal of
- 4 fentanyl products, including, but not limited to, fentanyl patches, by
- 5 health care institutions that administer fentanyl products to patients,
- 6 which protocols shall include penalties for failure of a health care
- 7 institution to comply with such protocols, including possible revocation
- 8 of licensure for multiple instances of failure to comply, to (1) decrease
- 9 the likelihood of a person reusing or accidentally ingesting a discarded
- 10 fentanyl product, and (2) establish an environmentally sound method of
- 11 disposal of discarded fentanyl products that prevents seepage of
- 12 fentanyl into local soil or groundwater.

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Public Health to develop protocols for the safe disposal by health care institutions of fentanyl products.

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